

11/3/08 - Monday, November 3, 2008

EAU CLAIRE LANDMARKS COMMISSION

Meeting of November 3, 2008

Members Present: Jenny Ebert, John Mann, Katrinka Bourne, Bob Von Haden, Sue Nelson, Ken Fulgione

Members absent: Ken Ziehr

Minutes. The minutes of the October 6, 2008 meeting were approved as written.

1. Presentation of Plaque for Salsbury Row House National Register Nomination. The Commission presented a plaque to John Curtis, owner of 302-310 West Grand Avenue (Salsbury Row House), which was recently approved by the State Review Board for the National Register of Historic Places. Mr. Curtis thanked the Commission for their support of the nomination.

2. Consideration of Applications for Certificate of Appropriateness.

A. 425 Broadway Street " To reconstruct front porch. Abraham and Sarah Nahm, 425 Broadway Street have requested a Certificate of Appropriateness to reconstruct their front porch. The porch will be reconstructed to match the appearance of the existing porch, except that the railing will be constructed at 36 inches in height as required by code. The existing railing is approximately 25 inches in height. Kevin Dettmann, the contractor for the project discussed the need for the project noting that a new foundation for the structure is needed. He noted that the porch as settled to a point where the second floor living area above the porch is not safe to occupy. The railing itself is in very deteriorated condition and will have to be fabricated.

The Commission discussed the project and noted that the option of landscape terracing used at 1408 State Street would not be feasible in this case. They did discuss other options such as a horizontal bar above the railing, but also questioned the feasibility of this option.

ACTION TAKEN: John Mann moved to approve the request for Certificate of Appropriateness. Bob Von Haden seconded the motion. All votes were in favor. Motion carried.

3. Update on Landmark Activities and Properties.

A. Consideration of Submitting a 2009 CLG Grant Application. The Commission reviewed the draft 2009 CLG Grant application to the Wisconsin Historical Society. Grant applications are due in November. The grant request is for \$20,000 to complete projects related to updating intensive surveys, determinations of National Register eligibility and the preparation of National Register nominations.

The Commission discussed the need for the intensive survey updates. They also discussed the survey work completed by John Mann™s UWEC Public History>

The Commission noted the important value of the survey information and stated that they would like to thank students as work progressed. John suggested having students attend a Commission meeting at the beginning of the semester before starting the survey work and then at the end of the semester to present their findings.

ACTION TAKEN: John Mann moved to recommend submittal of the CLG grant application. Ken Fulgione seconded the motion. All votes were in favor. Motion carried.

B. Landmark Eligibility for Rod and Gun Park, and Lakeview Cemetery Sexton Building. The Commission continued their discussion regarding the request from the Friends of Half Moon Lake to consider the landmark eligibility of buildings located in Rod and Gun Park and Sexton Building in Lakeview Cemetery. It was noted that the park and Sexton Building would be included as a project in the proposed CLG grant application.

C. Landmark Designation of 133 Lake Street and 1705 Park Avenue. The Commission discussed the timing for scheduling public hearings for local landmark designation of 133 Lake Street and 1705 Park Avenue.

ACTION TAKEN: Ken Fulgione moved to schedule the two public hearings for the properties for the Commission™s January meeting. John Mann seconded the motion. All votes were in favor. Motion carried.

D. Third Ward Informational Meeting. Pat reminded the Commission that the informational meeting for the Third Ward Historic Landmark District was scheduled for November 11th at 7 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Masonic Temple.

E. CLG 2007 Annual Report. The Commission reviewed the 2007 CLG Annual Report that was recently submitted to the Wisconsin Historical Society.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned a 5:35 p.m.